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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TOLBERT

THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN ASKED TO TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING  
MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TOLBERT TO THE VICE PRESIDENT:

QUOTE: HIS EXCELLENCY WALTER MONDALE, VICE PRESIDENT,  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON  
DC USA.

DEAR MR VICE PRESIDENT: I HAVE RECEIVED THE  
PLEASING INFORMATION OF THE CONCURRENCE BY THE  
UNITED STATES SENATE ON THE FIFTEENTH INSTANT WITH  
A BILL PASSED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
REPEALING THE BYRD AMENDMENT THEREBY REIMPOSING THE  
BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF RHODESIAN CHROME INTO  
THE UNITED STATES. AS I HAVE BEEN AMONG  
AFRICAN LEADERS WHO FROM TIME TO TIME BROUGHT TO  
THE ATTENTION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,  
CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS AND OTHER OFFICIALS OF THE  
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT THE GREAT IMPORTANCE WHICH  
AFRICAN NATIONS ATTACH TO THE REPEAL OF THE BYRD  
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AMENDMENT IN THE SEARCH FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION  
TO THE RHODESIAN QUESTION, A FACT WHICH I AGAIN  
HAD OCCASION TO MENTION WHEN I WAS PRIVILEGED TO  
ADDRESS THE JOINT SESSION OF THE CONGRESS LAST  
SEPTEMBER DURING MY STATE VISIT ON THE AUSPICIOUS  
OCCASION OF YOUR NATIONS BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS,  
I WISH TO COMMEND YOU AND THE DISTINGUISHED

MEMBERS OF THE SENATE FOR THIS OUTSTANDING ACT IN  
ADVANCING THE CAUSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS, HUMAN  
DIGNITY, JUSTICE AND AFRICAN LIBERATION AND  
A CLEAR MANIFESTATION OF FULLER UNDERSTANDING OF  
THE LEGITIMATE ASPIRATIONS OF THE AFRICAN PEOPLE.  
I AM PERSONALLY OVERWHELMED WITH JOY FOR THIS  
LONG AWAITED ACTION ON PART OF THE UNITED STATES  
CONGRESS WHICH I AM HOPEFUL USHERS IN AN ERA OF  
MORE MEANINGFUL COOPERATION BY THE UNITED STATES  
WITH AFRICAN NATIONS IN THEIR CONTINUING STRUGGLE  
TO SPEEDILY BRING TO THE OPPRESSED PEOPLE OF  
ZIMBABWE INDEPENDENCE WITH MAJORITY RULE. WITH  
SENTIMENTS OF HIGHEST CONSIDERATION AND ESTEEM  
SINCERELY, WR TOLBERT JR  
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